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From: Michael Towle [Towle.Michael@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: 9/22/2017 5:39:32 PM
To: Towle, Michael [Towle.Michael@epa.gov]
Subject: Fw: Nvf site in Kennett square.

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----- Forwarded by Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US on 09/22/2017 01:39 PM -----

From: Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US
To: "Miller, Rex" <remiller@state.pa.us>,
Cc: "tglass@" <chesco.org tglass@chesco.org>, "Newmyer, Thomas" <tnewmyer@state.pa.us>
Date: 06/09/2010 12:11 PM
Subject: RE: Nvf site in Kennett square.

I firmly believe that the fire is not an issue for us (having gleaned the scenario from reliable sources). The remaining building is a potential issue for someone, but not us. I think the drums issue is local legend. PCBs are unfortunately part of the local landscape, but I am pretty sure EPA assessed that. Some folks are hard to satisfy. The most important aspect is that you will likely have a much better time in Canada than you would in Pennsylvucky.

▼ "Miller, Rex" ---06/09/2010 12:00:15 PM---Mike, Please peruse the Email string I attached.

From: "Miller, Rex" <remiller@state.pa.us>
To: Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: "tglass@" <chesco.org tglass@chesco.org>, "Newmyer, Thomas" <tnewmyer@state.pa.us>
Date: 06/09/2010 12:00 PM
Subject: RE: Nvf site in Kennett square.

Mike,

Please peruse the Email string I attached.

Although the initial PEMA report indicated that the involved building housed HazMat,s, follow up seemed to indicate that the building/area involved did NOT.

Kevin (below) McLemore is a DEP AQ Supervisor.

These kind of complaints/inquiries make me crazy. "The Twp. officials have not told them anything, or if they need to evacuate as a precaution".

EXACTLY, "if" they told you to evacuate or shelter in place then there is reason to believe there is a problem. If your concerned, ask the local EMC!!!!

Anyway, hope this helps.

FYI, I'm off to Canada 6-11 to 6-19, so Tom is @ the Helm.....

Rex

-----Original Message-----

From: Melemore, Kevin
Sent: Tuesday, June 01, 2010 9:48 AM
To: Miller, Rex
Cc: Stroble, William
Subject: RE: NVF Manufacturing Fire article

Rex

Just to let you know I went out and observed the extent of the fire. It appeared to me that the fire was in one of the outlying buildings separate of the main structure. The roof had collapsed and it was still smoldering. Additionally, there were trucks and a storage area where products were stacked. However, there was no evidence of fire in that location. There was no apparent air quality violations.

Kevin

-----Original Message-----

From: Miller, Rex
Sent: Friday, May 28, 2010 9:48 AM
To: Rebarchak, Lynda; Wentzel, James; France, Robert; Newmyer, Thomas; Kennedy, John; Blasberg, Martha E; Feola, Joseph; Fries, Deborah; Gallagher, Kevin; Tulloch-Reid, Janine; Rebarchak, James; Shankar, Sachin; Stroble, William
Cc: Melemore, Kevin
Subject: RE: NVF Manufacturing Fire article

PEMA Notification to DEP distributed.

No HazMat's reportedly involved. Notification Only.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Craig, Bridget
Sent: Friday, May 28, 2010 9:30 AM

To: Melemore, Kevin

Cc: Miller, Rex

Subject: FW: Notification for PEIRS Report #20100528-0003 Structure Fire in Chester Co.

Notification about a fire at NVF in Kennett Square, Chester Co. Chester Co. Fire Radio was just notifying they did not need assistance.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Huss, Shane

Sent: Friday, May 28, 2010 9:26 AM

To: Craig, Bridget

Subject: FW: Notification for PEIRS Report #20100528-0003

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-----Original Message-----

From: stateeoc@state.pa.us [<mailto:stateeoc@state.pa.us>]

Sent: Friday, May 28, 2010 9:23 AM

To: Huss, Shane

Subject: Notification for PEIRS Report #20100528-0003

Report Status: STRUCTURE FIRE- Chester County, 5/28/2010, 4:44 a.m. - No evacuation or injuries were reported. All units have cleaned the scene. Incident Closed.

Incident Classification: Unrestricted

Watch Officer Name: Gordon Lester E

Watch Officer Position: PEMA Watch Officer

PEIRS Report Number: 20100528-0003

Entry Date: 05/27/2010 20:30:00

Name: Amoroso, Cindy

Position:

Phone: (610) 344-5100

Fax:

County: Chester

Municipality: Kennett Square Boro

Address: NVF Corporation

Latitude: 0.000000000

Longitude: 0.000000000

Facility:

Mile Marker:

City:

Zip: 19348

Category: Fire/Rescue

Subcategory: Structure Fire

Description: 05/28/2010 04:44 - Amoroso, Cindy: Event description updated to: Received a call for smoke in the area. Police arrived on scene to find the roof of one of the buildings on fire - building holds hazardous chemicals ***incident closed at 04:24*** - Overview...

05/28/2010 04:44 - Amoroso, Cindy: Event information updated - Incident Closed - Closed ...

5/28/2010 03:28:46 - Fleischman Daniel L : Contacted Chester county for follow-up the fire chief is still conducting investigation and clean- up is on going. **No haz-mat was reported.**

5/28/2010 00:55:09 - Fleischman Daniel L : To: Stapleton, George; StateEOC, Pennsylvania; Evans, Christopher; Probst, Colleen; Rozman, John; Hughes, Thomas (PEMA); EM-EASTERN AREA; Camillocci, Anthony; Leib, Kerry; Moyer, Brian; Ward, Thomas; Lingle, Tina; Wright, Kenneth (L&I/UC)

Subject: Notification for PEIRS Report #20100528-0003

Report Status: STRUCTURE FIRE- Chester County, 5/28/2010, 12:30 a.m. - A structure fire occurred in Kennett Square Borough. The company is National Volcanized Fiber and uses PCV pipe and plastic sheets for laminating. No evacuation or injuries were reported.

5/28/2010 00:39:50 - Fleischman Daniel L : Contacted Chester County 911 (Cindy) for type of chemicals. The company stores PCV pipes and plastic sheets. for laminating. No evacuation.

05/28/2010 00:30 - Amoroso, Cindy: NVF Building Fire - Received a call for smoke in the area. Police arrived on scene to find the roof of one of the buildings on fire - building holds hazardous chemicals

May 28, 2010 - WPVI TV Action News

Kennett Square building goes up in flames

A lightning strike may be to blame for this massive Chester County fire

KENNETT SQUARE, Pa. - -- Fire investigators say a lightning strike may have sparked a blaze in Chester County.

Flames broke out at the NVF Manufacturing company on the 300 block of West Cedar Street in Kennett Square shortly after midnight Friday. Smoke and flames damaged the roof to the block long vacant building.

The fire went to 2 alarms before fire crews were able to bring it under control.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Towle.Michael@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Towle.Michael@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 09, 2010 7:59 AM
To: remiller@
Cc: tglass@
Subject: Fw: Nvf site in Kennett square.

Rex, please see below.

----- Forwarded by Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US on 06/09/2010 07:58 AM -----

From: Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US
To: tglass@chesco.org <tglass@chesco.org>
Date: 06/09/2010 07:58 AM
Subject: Fw: Nvf site in Kennett square.

Tom and Rex - previously some citizens were expressing concerns to EPA about PCBs and (what I think unfounded) drums in a ballfield. Now the fire issue. EPA is connecting dots and I am wondering if a request for an assessment is forthcoming. Those ideas and requests always tumble downhill and I seem to never be able to climb out of the way. I will keep you posted. Do you know who is conducting any on-Site activities ? Rex, is there a person in the Department who has any responsibility for this property ?

----- Forwarded by Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US on 06/09/2010 07:52 AM -----

From: Michael Towle/R3/USEPA/US
To: "Tom Glass" <tglass@chesco.org>
Date: 06/08/2010 09:11 AM
Subject: Fw: Nvf site in Kennett square.

Tom. Fyi

----- Original Message -----

From: Vincent Zenone
Sent: 06/08/2010 08:52 AM EDT
To: Linda Marzulli
Cc: Michael Towle
Subject: Fw: Nvf site in Kennett square.

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----- Forwarded by Vincent Zenone/R3/USEPA/US on 06/08/2010 08:54 AM -----

From: Frank Cellucci/R3/USEPA/US
To:

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Cc: Vincent Zenone/R3/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/07/2010 10:09 AM
Subject: Re: Nvf site in Kennett square.

Request you contact Vincent Zenone concerning the National Vulcanized Fiber site

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Information Management Coordinator, COR
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From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
To: Frank Cellucci/R3/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 05/28/2010 11:31 AM
Subject: Nvf site in Kennett square.

Hi there was a fire last night at the nvf site. My concern is what was held in that building because it is still smokeing and what maybe going in to the air. I live next to the site. The building that is burning is in the back. First building on the left comeing in threw the back gate.

I'm just concerend about the air quality because I have a small child and in the neighbor hood there are many young children. I just don't want to see my daughter get sick months or years later because of the smoke. No one in the township has said anything to use about the fire or any concerns with air quality or if we need to evacuate as a precaution.